

3 January 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Information Review Committee Members

FROM :
Executive Secretary, IRC

SUBJECT : Proposed Guidelines for Declassification
Review of 1946-1950 Records

REFERENCE : Memo to IRC Members from dated
4 October 1976, same subject

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1. Referent memorandum forwarded proposed guidelines for the declassification of those 1946-1950 records for which the Agency has classification authority. The expressed intention was to make the guidelines an item for discussion at an IRC meeting soon thereafter.

2. It is now proposed that IRC action on the guidelines be taken without encumbering the Committee members with the requirement for further formal discussion. This proposal arises out of the fact that the Agency's systematic review of 30-year-old materials held at both the National Archives and the Washington National Records Center has completed the review of World War II records while nothing can be done on the 1946-1950 backlog of thousands of documents until Agency guidelines are approved.

3. Inasmuch as these guidelines have been staffed out with each of the Directorates, it is proposed that they be formally approved as of 14 January unless the views of members to the contrary are received by my office prior to that time.

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